

Ros-Lehtinen	Smith (NJ)	Vento
Rose	Smith (TX)	Visclosky
Roth	Smith (WA)	Vucanovich
Roukema	Souder	Walker
Roybal-Allard	Spence	Walsh
Royce	Spratt	Wamp
Rush	Stearns	Ward
Sabo	Stenholm	Waters
Salmon	Stockman	Watt (NC)
Sanford	Stokes	Watts (OK)
Sawyer	Stupak	Waxman
Saxton	Talent	Weldon (FL)
Scarborough	Tate	Weldon (PA)
Schaefer	Tauzin	Weller
Schumer	Taylor (NC)	White
Scott	Tejeda	Wicker
Seastrand	Thomas	Williams
Serrano	Thompson	Wilson
Shadegg	Thornberry	Wise
Shaw	Thornton	Wolf
Shays	Thurman	Woolsey
Sisisky	Tiahrt	Wynn
Skaggs	Torkildsen	Yates
Skeen	Torres	Young (AK)
Skelton	Torricelli	Zeliff
Slaughter	Towns	Zimmer
Smith (MI)	Upton	

NAYS—57

Barrett (NE)	Hall (TX)	Quillen
Beilenson	Hancock	Rahall
Bunning	Hansen	Roemer
Campbell	Hefley	Rogers
Chenoweth	Herger	Rohrabacher
Coburn	Jacobs	Sanders
Combest	Jones	Schroeder
Condit	Laughlin	Sensenbrenner
Conyers	Lucas	Shuster
Cooley	McDermott	Solomon
Danner	Meyers	Stark
DeFazio	Miller (CA)	Stump
Doolittle	Minge	Tanner
Duncan	Mollohan	Taylor (MS)
Ehlers	Montgomery	Trafficant
Everett	Neumann	Velazquez
Fattah	Oberstar	Volkmer
Foglietta	Payne (NJ)	Whitfield
Gutknecht	Pombo	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—11

Bateman	Harman	Radanovich
Calvert	Hastings (FL)	Schiff
Deutsch	Lincoln	Studds
Gibbons	McDade	

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Mr. HEFLEY changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Speaker, I missed two rollcall votes earlier today because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall vote No. 227 and "yes" on rollcall vote No. 228.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3603, AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 451 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 451

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the

House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3603) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI, clause 7 of rule XXI, or section 302(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. Points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 or 6 of rule XXI are waived. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 6 of rule XXIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may reduce to not less than five minutes the time for voting by electronic device on any postponed question that immediately follows another vote by electronic device without intervening business, provided that the time for voting by electronic device on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than fifteen minutes. After the reading of the final lines of the bill, a motion that the Committee of the Whole rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted shall, if offered by the majority leader or a designee, have precedence over a motion to amend. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. During consideration of H.R. 3603 pursuant to the first section of this resolution, the appropriate allocation of new discretionary budget authority within the meaning of section 302(f)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 shall be \$12,802,000,000. The corresponding level of budget outlays shall be \$13,349,000,000.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HEFLEY). The gentleman from Georgia is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. HALL], pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

(Mr. LINDER asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material.)

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 451 is an open rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3603, the

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and related agencies appropriations bill for fiscal year 1997.

The rule provides for 1 hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule waives clause 2(l)(6) of rule 11, clause 7 of rule 21, or section 302(c) of the Budget Act against consideration of the bill. The rule also waives clause 2 of rule 21—which prohibits unauthorized appropriations and legislation on an appropriations bill—and waives clause 6 of rule 21—which prohibits reappropriating unexpended balances of appropriations in general appropriations bills—against provisions of the bill.

Under the conditions of House Resolution 451, after the reading of the final lines of the bill, a motion to rise, if offered by the majority leader or his designee, will have precedence over a motion to amend.

Mr. Speaker, this rule continues two new approaches on appropriations bills that were implemented during last year's appropriations process. First, the rule accords priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. The rule does not require preprinting, but simply encourages Members to take advantage of the option in order to facilitate consideration of amendments on the House floor and to inform Members of the details of pending amendments.

Second, House Resolution 451 provides that the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone recorded votes on any amendment and that the Chairman may reduce voting time on postponed questions to 5 minutes, provided that the vote immediately follow another recorded vote and that the voting time on the first in a series of votes is not less than 15 minutes. This will provide a more definite voting schedule for all Members and hopefully will help guarantee the timely completion of the appropriations bills.

House Resolution 451 also provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, as is the right of the minority Members of the House. Finally, in section 2 of the rule, House Resolution 451 provides that the section 602(b) allocations in the budget resolution conference report will be in effect for the consideration of this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 451 is a typical open rule to be considered for general appropriations bills. This rule does not restrict the normal open amending process in any way and any amendments that comply with the standing rules of the House may be offered for consideration. I know of a number of Members who wish to modify the bill through the amendment process, and I look forward to a thorough debate on those measures. While